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Saturday in each month, S. O. BURKS, mod.,  
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Will visit Tuscumbia on the 4th Tuesday  
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Will attend to all business entrusted to  
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FIFTIETH FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

January 1st, 1879.

Cash Capital, — \$300,000.00

Reserve for Re-insurance, — 188,444.88

Reserve for Unpaid Losses, — 68,252.42

Commissions due Agents, — 5,949.43

Unpaid Dividends, — 1,165.75

Net Surplus over Capital and  
all Liabilities, — 288,301.67

\$802,114.08

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS:

BONDS (United States, \$293,500)

Missouri State 443,080 \$730,580.00

Cash in Bank of Commerce,  
St. Louis, — 24,478.41

Cash in Company's Office, — 1,822.72

Balance in hands of Agents,  
— 39,662.90

\$802,114.08

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A Maiden from the city

Tripped lightly mid the trees,

And snuffed a pungent odor

That floated on the breeze.

"O, tell me, ancient farmer,

With arms so brown and bare,

What is this wondrous flower

That scents the morning air?"

Long laughed the ancient farmer,

Till tears rolled down his cheek:

"Why, bless you, that's a pole cat;

I've smelt him for a week."

The Pork Crop of 1879.

The Cincinnati Price Current, which cer-

tainly cannot have any particular interest in

underrating the hog supply, states from in-

formation from 225 correspondents, that the

prospective supply of hogs for marketing

before next winter is considerably short of

last year—probably twenty to twenty-five

per cent less. In Ohio, Kentucky and Indi-

ana there is evidence of a marked decrease

in supply, while Illinois will likely not be

largely short of last year, and Iowa will

likewise be but little deficient. Missouri will

probably furnish as many, and Kansas and

Nebraska more than last year. The expres-

sions offered, taken literally, would probably

point to a larger decrease than suggested, but

observations in the past lead to the conclu-

sion that the tendency is to overestimate a

decrease in supply.

Looking Upward.

Real estate is on the rise in the east, and

the swell has reached the west. Rents are

looking upward. In fact, values are on the

increase. Houses are 25 per cent higher

than they were six months ago. The bottom

has been reached, and the tendency will be

upward from this time forward.—Rural

World.

Mr. H. S. Bushnell, of Illinois, claims that

he has discovered a process by which an ex-

cellent quality of hardwood lumber can be

made from wheat straw. Taking as many

sheets of straw as are necessary to make the

thickness of lumber desired, he passes them

through a chemical solution which saturates

and softens the fiber. He then passes it

through several rollers, which harden, dry

and polish it, whence it comes out excellent

lumber. He says that the chemical prop-

erties, hardening in the fiber entirely prevent

water soaking, and make the wood almost

incombustible. A reporter writes that the

samples exhibited could scarcely be told from

hardwood lumber, and in sawing it the differ-

ence could not be detected. Imitations of

pine, black walnut, mahogany and marble,

of a superior quality, are made, all of which

admit of a very high polish.

Amongst a number of land warrants issued

to soldiers of the Mexican war under act of

1847, and mailed to the warrantees, at the

respective places of residence, some failed to

reach their destination, and found their way

to the dead letter office, where they have

been preserved and held, subject to the ap-

plication of the owners. Amongst a list pub-

lished, is the name of William F. Whitley, of

Jefferson City, Mo., as the owner of No. 56,

926. Who knows anything about William F.

Whitley or his heirs? We publish this

item, hoping that it may arrest the attention

of some party interested, but we have failed

to find anybody who remembers any such

person as William F. Whitley.—Tribune.

Mexico Intelligence: The indications are

that there will be an unusual crop of Demo-

cratic candidates for Governor next year.

Among the many mentioned are T. T. Crit-

tenden, John A. Hockaday, John Walker,

Erastus Well, John F. Phillips, Chas. H.

Maneur, John B. Hale, Thos. Holliday, John

F. Williams, R. P. C. Wilson. Of those

here mentioned, or that may hereafter be

mentioned, the man who beats the first nam-

ed above will possibly be the next Governor.

July 8th, A. D., 1879, at her home in Cole

county, Mrs. Hattie L. wife of Mr. John W.

Gordon and daughter of the late Capt. Sam'l

McMillen. She was born in Fayette, How-

ard county, Missouri. To her many friends

and physicians who attended her with so

much kindness in her last illness, are extend-

ed sincere thanks. Mrs. Gordon was 36 years

old, and married to her husband November

23, 1855.—Tribune.

The Governor has directed a reward of

\$200, to be offered for the apprehension,

arrest and delivery, within the next 12

months, to the Marshal of the City of St.

Louis, at St. Louis, of Charles Sanders, who,

on the evening of Sunday, May 29, murdered

officer Printo, of the St. Louis police force.

The Cabinet at Washington has been dis-

cussing a petition for the pardon of a man in

Utah sentenced to the Penitentiary for the

crime of polygamy. We have not heard the

decision, but it will be a sad blow if the first

conviction should be pardoned as soon as he

is sentenced.

Estimating the population of the country

in 1880, at 47,000,000 the Washington Repub-

lican estimates that Iowa and Kansas will

gain four representatives each, Illinois, Michi-